

Sprague to compete for Miss Teen Tennessee USA

Mackenzie Leigh Sprague, (Miss Centerhill Teen USA) 14 years old, of Smithville will compete for the title of Miss Teen Tennessee USA 2019 on Oct. 11-13 at the Austin Peay State University in Clarksville.

Sprague is the daughter of Wanda Sprague and her grandparents are Michael and Dorothy Crowell of Smithville, Stephanie and Buddy Sprague of Woodbury. She attends DeKalb County High School as a ninth grader and some of her activities and/or hobbies include: softball where she will play for High School Tigerettes, competing in pageants, crafts, and spending time with family and friends.

Her sponsors for the pageant are family and friends, Wanda Sprague, Amy DePuy of California, BRB Screen Printing of Murfreesboro, MODERN (Misty Myers) HAIR DESIGN of Smithville, Michael/Dorothy Crowell Mobile Automotive of Smithville, Stephanie/Buddy Sprague, PQA Department of Nissan, Kim/Cory Crabtree, Jackie Henson, Anita Hann, and Lisa Armstrong.

Should she win then she will go on to compete in the Miss Teen USA pageant.



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Swimming pool springs leaks

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The Smithville Municipal Swimming Pool has sprung some significant leaks.

Ken Lacy, manager of the pool and golf course, advised the mayor and aldermen Monday night and at previous meetings and workshops that repairs should be made before the pool re-opens next summer.

Lacy recently contacted the American Leak Detection Company of Nashville which has offered a performance contract to come and check the pool.

According to Lacy, the company will review and diagnose the problem and provide an estimate on the repair costs.

"Their fee for that (site inspection) is \$2,500 to \$3,500 if we do a contract with them. They can't give a true assessment on the repair costs until they are here but they said it would probably be in the neighborhood \$7,000 and \$10,000 total with a possible discount," he said.

Lacy said the leaks are on both sides of the pool and the water loss is significant. "The skimmer system is leaking and the leaks are on both sides of the pool. We have leaching on the street side and the golf course

side and wherever its leaking it is happening a lot. Its not necessarily in the deep end. Where the water is coming out more is on the shallow side of the pool. To keep it full we pump water from an inch and a half line into the pool 24/7. It never shuts down," said Lacy.

The aldermen discussed whether to have the work done during the fall or wait until next spring.

"If they do it now we have to re-fill the pool because they need the pumps running and skimmers in operation," said Lacy.

Alderman Brandon Cox said he didn't feel comfortable voting for the project based on cost estimates.

"Are there any other providers? Have we checked with others? I would like to see more concrete numbers," said Alderman Cox.

"There possibly are (other companies) but this is the company that is recommended by the people we do our pump services with. They say this company (American Leak Detection) is the most reputable and it is one of the largest companies out there. They can detect leaks within a foot and go in and repair them," said Lacy.

The aldermen voted 3-1 to contract with American Leak Detection Company of Nashville to do a site inspection of the pool at a cost of up to \$3,500. Alderman Cox voted no.

Three little words

You hear them everyday ... everywhere. You hear them from older people, young people and even kids. They are everyday words on the radio, TV and movies.

Oh, if we only would stop and think what we are saying.

No, those three little words aren't 'I love you' although you could say they are connected. I'm talking about how we use 'Oh, my God'.

There was a time, which seems not so long ago in my mind, you rarely heard this expletive phrase. It was just something you did not say. However, I hear it everywhere, and I cringe. You may think I'm making too much over this, but I truly feel when we use the words, we are taking God's name in vain. Think about this: in

the dictionary, the meaning for vain is 'producing no result; useless'. When we say 'Oh my God' in an expletive way or out of fear or surprise, the name of God is being useless. We are not saying it as in a prayer, but as a by-word for human emotion.

The name of God is holy, but we treat it as useless. We have forgotten who God is. We have forgotten His holiness ... His love ... His wrath. It's time to remember who God is and not use His name in vain. We need to be using His name for His glory.

For I proclaim the name of the Lord: ascribe greatness to our God. He is the rock, His work is perfect; for all His ways are justice, a God of truth and without injustice; righteous and upright is He.

Deut 32:3-4



THE CRACKED POT
by GINGER EXUM

Wedding bells ringing for Orchards

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Orchard, nee Elisha Anderson. They had a beautiful wedding ceremony at New Home Missionary Baptist Church on Oct. 6, 2018. Of course the bride was beautiful and everyone was overwhelmed with joy for this beautiful couple. I wish you both a life of happiness and may God continue to bless you both.

This weather this past week is like summer is back. The cooler weather is coming. Leaves are starting to fall. Time for me to go pick up some mums, pumpkins, and little gourds. I may have to get some hay from my neighbor, Richard Close to finish my fall decorating.

I happen to read the "That New Guy" column in reference to my quote where I told him he was from here. We the people in DeKalb

County are pleasant, kind, caring, and know most everyone or know someone they are kin too. It is not hard to build a friendship here most people take kindly to you as long as you do the same. We have crime, and drugs just like any other county. But it is rare to go somewhere that you do not see a kind face. I love DeKalb County and cannot imagine living anywhere else.

So, Duane Sherrill, you have been around our fine county for seven months. You are a part of DeKalb County.

You cannot turn on the television without hearing about a shooting or a child missing or has been abducted. It is so sad and scary at the same time to go anywhere. You have to watch and look around to see if someone is looking at you

or your child. It wasn't like that when I was growing up. We played outside all over the neighborhood. We knew right from wrong. I think children have lost the fear in their parents and God. Trouble to some is nothing, go to jail stay there a while and get out in no time. Keep them in there. They need God in their lives, you may think you are okay today but, one day you will face judgement in front of the Lord and there will be no talking your way

out where the unsaved's jail time is eternity in Hell.

Please remember the following in prayer: Linda Kilgore Armour family, the Doyle Smith family, the Corley family, Kenneth and Lucy Young, Kimberly Violet, Joe Young, Brenda Bates.

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And saying. The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel. Mark 1:15



NEW HOME NEWS
by BARBARA ANN ERVIN

It's good to spend time with family

Last week we enjoyed a Sunday with Jimmy and Judy Kimbrell and family. Our special guest was Todd and Gail Nuckles from Alabama and Antha Keyt Lungarrd from Arizona. It was good to see these family members.

Many of our prayers have been answered for the sick, and we thank God for His ever present control of situations. We know there are many sick or have lost loved ones recently, continue to pray for them.

Fall break is here and we hope everyone has a safe and restful few weeks off from school. Be careful driving on the roads.

The T V news and reports show so much

judgement and hate across our world. We wish for everyone to show compassion and love for one another. Put love into action and show this world it could be different.

Happy anniversary to Tom and Georgie Cripps who celebrated this event in September. Georgie had a birthday recently too. We love these fine folks and wish them health and happiness.

If you do not have a church to attend you are always welcome at the Dry Creek Baptist Church on Dry Creek Road, Dowlentown.

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

Romans 12:9



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